The Petal Paper

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East Side

By P. D.

Letters

New York, N. Y
April 26, 1957

Dear Mr. East:

My friend, Mr. S. D. Weissbuch of Miami, Florida, has presented me with a subscription to your "Petal Paper".

To list his many kind deeds for me, would tax your Paper to capacity as well as it would tax my dimming memory. But the subscription to your paper may well be his greatest kindness to me.

I enjoy reading it, and am moved by its honest appeal for fair play. Its stirring message must awaken America to its mission of Peace and Progress by first promoting mutual harmony and good will and loyalty among the members of its own group family before it can claim the respect of the world.

More power to your strong voice,

Sincerely yours,
I. Davidson.

Morganfield, Ky.
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National Guardian Reports On—

The Silent Chief

Once upon a time, in the land of Pentagon-on-the- Potomac, there dwelt a chief named Eye-sen-hower, affectionately called Eye-Like-Ike.

Many moons before he had been a fearless warrior. Once he had led the Gee-Eye-Joes across the channel to assault the western flank of A-dolph the Aryan, and to prevent him from enslaving or exterminating all the non-Aryan tribes.

Back from the wars, wherever Eye-Like-Ike went he declared that henceforth men must live as brothers. He was cheered and honored. Even when a party was tendered him —the Re-pub-lican Party, he chose to call it the Peace Party. He sat with the Re-pub-lican elders, and they passed the pipe from one to another.

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THROUGH THE WINDSHIELD . . . SUDDEN DEATH!

Three weeks ago I related in this column my experience with a cow and a sheep, both of which I ran into with the bank's car, causing over two hundred dollars in damage.

It should be understood that I was not complaining about the matter. I was pleased to make such a small contribution to the duly elected representatives from the ten southern counties here in Mississippi. You see, the political brains of these parts are hesitant to do anything about the livestock on the highways because they might lose a vote at the next election. And a leader mustn't offend anyone . . . and beside, a dead person can't vote. And the chances of surviving a collision with a cow are not what I would call great.

But, as I said, I'm proud to have made my small contribution to the future of some of the State's Greats. Gentlement, it is a pleasure to wreck the bank's car in your behalf.

Note To The Crawfish: Move over, here we come!

News Filler:

The two largest species of shark, the whale shark and the basking shark, are harmless fish. One of the best known species is the white shark, which is a maneater.

And I can say in complete honesty that I know some of 'em by their first names!

You know, those Republicans have certainly played hell with the postal service. I know because a number of persons have said they'd mail in their checks "tomorrow" as far back as a month ago . . . and they still aren't here.

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The North Alabama WCC launched a campaign which called for a "no-play, no-sing" attitude against "rock and roll and other Negro music which promotes integration of races and demoralizes children". It is all "decadent", says the Council.

Now look at what has happened to the White Citizens' Council! It has been infiltrated by the Communists! Dmitri Shepilov, former Russian Foreign Minister, took off on a tirade ten-thousand-words ago and blasted, damned rock and roll and boogie woogie as "wild caveman orgies that release sexual urges and other base emotions and low passions". Shepilov condemned all Russian musicians who imitate jazz "with all its howlings and vocal convulsions".

"For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged". It is tough to be caught in your own trap, and that is what has happened to WCC of North Alabama, particularly. Now following the logic of the WCC which condemns all persons who and organizations which have said things that sounded remotely like something said by Communists at

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Eye-Like-Ike understood why the gods brought him into this smoke-filed room, and he fell silent.

So it came to pass after the first frost that Eye-Like-Ike moved into the White Wigwam. Every day he spoke the Madison Men's words in councils and on the prairies, while receiving visiting chiefs and while driving the little ball over the green meadows. He echoed their explanations of too much maize and too little wampum, or too much giveaway and too little takehome, of too many tomahawks and too few tepees.

There were dreamy days when Eye-Like-Ike forgot or did not care what the Madison Men had told him, and his heart raced faster than his tongue. Then it was that all the tribes listened and loved him, for he thundered against violence and pleaded for peace among men. Even the mountains trembled when he denounced tribes across the sea for fomenting hatred and bloodshed.

Now among the people of the U-nited States there was one dark-skinned tribe which had been persecuted for a long time by others who believed themselves suprior beings, much as A-dolph the Aryan had believed. Though this tribe had been freed from slavery, for a hundred years they had been waiting for the rights they had been promised they would acquire gradually. But "gradually" had come to mean "not-if-we-can-help-it," so the long-suffering tribe quietly insisted the time had come to ride their horses, graze their cattle, vote for the council, build their tepees and provide for their purpooses like all the other tribes.

In many villages the response to this soft-spoken but firm request took the form of violence. Some mean, lighter-skinned tribesmen sneaked into their neighbors' village when the moon was hidden and they set fire to the tepees of the dark-skinned tribe. Some they chased off the land. Some they murdered.

The victimized tribe remembered how Eye-Like-Ike had led his warriors against A-dolph the Aryan. They recalled how righteously he had condemned the mistreatment of one tribe by another in foreign lands. After all, they were a tribe of the U-nited States of which he was Chief! So they sent him a smoke signal of distress, urging him to visit the

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East Side . . .

So, since I know them to be men of their word, it must be the postal system.

Had a sales promotional card from an outfit which makes plates for autos. They allowed as to how they would make me a plate with THE PETAL PAPER on if for a couple of bucks. That I considered most generous, but the thing about it is I ain't about to put such a plate on my car. I know when I'm well off . . . and I'll not spit in the eye of Fate.

As usual, I wasn't there . . . and I'm glad! But it happened on Easter Sunday at church. Karen's grandmother carried her to services. As you doubtlessly know, most Christian ministers build a sermon like a good fiction story, building up to a climax, that being at the time the tomb opens and Christ rises.

The minister was delivering such a sermon on the date mentioned. Karen, uninhibited little soul that she is at the age of four, said, and loudly, "I wish that preacher would hurry and finish. I'm starving."

There were snickers from the congregation. Tressie, the harressed grandparent, tried to smooth it over as best she could. Said Tressie: "Be quiet, Karen, this is the psychological moment."

"Psychological," blurted Karen, "I thought this was a church house."

As the story reached me, I understand the minister dismissed his flock at that point.

Those of you in this neck of the woods interested in a rip-snorting time, will be interested in Joe Allbritton's Pulp Wood and Loggers Day, set for June 1st. This is the third such one Joe has sponsored. I understand that he is giving away, as a grand prize, a Model 35 Chainsaw. All one has to do is register at his office.

Since pulp wood and logging is a major industry in these parts, I think Joe is doing an outstanding service by his program, calling attention to the importantance of the business of forests.

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Letters . . .

one time or another, the White Citizens' Council is Communistic, subversive and fellow-traveling.

The White Citizens' Council wants but one opinion in its domain; that is exactly the Russian scheme of things. Violence is the means used to achieve conformity to that one opinion, and that is the very way the Communists operate and control.

Sincerely yours,
Harry M. Wilson, Pastor,
The Christian Church,
Morganfield, Kentucky.

LEGAL NOTICES

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS Johnnie B. Cook and wife, Clearese Cook, of Forrest County, Mississippi, became indebted to the First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Hattiesburg, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and to secure said indebtedness executed a certain Deed of Trust dated April 8, 1955 to C. W. Sullivan, Trustee for said Ascsociation, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Forrest County at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, in Book 181 at Pages 1-3 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Lands, said Deed of Trust conveying in trust the hereinafter described property; and,

WHEREAS, the said Deed of Trust and the Promissory Note secured thereby provided for the payment of said indebtedness in installments of principal and interest, and further provided in the event of a default in the payment of any installment, the owner and holder of said indebtedness, might at its option declare the entire indebtedness due and payable; and,

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of said indebtedness; and,

WHEREAS, the holder and owner of said Note and Deed of Trust has declared said indebtedness together with all interest thereon to be immediately due and payable; and,

WHEREAS, the owner and holder of said indebtedness has directed the undersigned to execute this trust in accordance with the law and terms of said Deed of Trust:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C. W. Sullivan, Trustee in said Deed of Trust, will within legal hours, on the 27th day of May, 1957, at the front door of the County Courthouse in Forrest County at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, offer for sale and will sell at public auction and outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, and within legal hours the land and property situated in Forrest County, Mississippi, to-wit:

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WITNESS my signature, this the 2nd day of May, 1957.

C. W. SULLIVAN, Trustee

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Clover Grazing Can Be Wasted

"Don't waste surplus clover grazing." If clovers are not grazed down or cut for silage or saved for seed harvest, they will die down and be lost. Crimson clover, crimson and ryegrass, white clover and ryegrass all make good silage.

Wheresurplus ryegrass is to be cut for hay, the time to cut it is when the area shows seed heads all across the field. Alfalfa should be watched closely from now until time to cut for hay.

A general rule is to cut alfalfa for hay when it is about 10 per cent bloom.

Sixteen Named As Tree Farmers

Because they are practicing good forestry on their timberlands, sixteen landowners were officially named as Tree Farmers at the Mississippi Forestry Association's April Directors' meeting.

The association made up of individuals, companies and organizations interested in better forestry, operates the Tree Farm program in this State.

As tree farmers, the group agrees to grow trees on a continuous basis. Further, they agree to protect their timberland from fire, insects, diseases, and over-grazing.

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south and speak out against the injustice. They knew his voice would shame the murderers and end the terror.

The dark-skinned people waited for a reply. They waited in vain.

"He ought to say something about our plight," they complained. And other tribes took up the cry. "He must say something. He must!"

Then suddenly, like a flash of lightning which makes the dark valley bright, came the news: "Eye-Like-Ike has left the White Wigwam! He has gone to the south!" With that the voices of millions blended into one mighty roar that rolled in from the fertile lands and the deserts, from the villages and the seacoast and the hills. It landed in the south and stopped in front of Eye-Like-Ike. "Speak dear father," the voice of the people of the U-nited States implored him. "Even Harry gave them hell. Say the words that will prove you are a friend of peace. Speak!"

Eye-Like-Ike rested thoughtfully on the club which he used to drive the little white ball over the green meadows. "I am not a man of words," he said. "I am only a man of action."

"That is even better," said the voice. "Do something."

"Watch me," exclaimed Eye-Like-Ike. Then he braced himself like a true warrior, gripped his club, sent the little white ball sailing over the roof of the Augusta summer tepee.

—THE SPECTATOR

E. Pluribus Unum—

Another Injun Bites The Dust

A serious thinker who describes himself as "a shovel man" confesses in a letter to the editor that he is bewildered. The source of his bewilderment is $1.60 which he earned by working overtime in 1956. Of course that $1.60 was not the whole of his overtime earnings, but it was enough to elevate his income tax rating from a high bracket to a still higher bracket. The result of his elevation to an upper bracket increased his income tax for the year by exactly $9.

This disturbed "shovelman" declares that he could understand a $1.60 tax on a $9 earning, but for the sweet life of him he cannot understand a $9 tax on a $1.60 earning. Of course it is no consolation to him to know that this country is fairly speckled with people who are bewildered by the intricacies of the federal income tax. In that predicament he is not alone.

—The Daily Oklahoman

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Social Security Laws Now Give Added Protection To Families

Important new for your family's financial future is the extended protection offered under the newly-amended Social Security Law.

Last summer Conress: (1) voted 4 million servicemen, dentists, lawyers, and others under the system; (2) made women eligible for existing benefits at 62; (3) added a ne wbenefit — disability payments to issured persons over 50 and to dependent children; (4) liberalized the rules for farmers and veterans; and (5) raised the amount you'li pay for Social Security in payroll deductions starting January 1.

Town Journal magazine recently asked Social Security Administrator Charles I. Schottland to disscuss the new Social Security Act at a town meeting in Lexington, N.C. The questions posed by the citizens of Lexington (pop. 15,000) may be the same one syou would ask. Here they are, with Mr. Schottland's answers:

Question: Is it financially more advantageous for women to draw Social Security benefits at 62 under the new law, or wait until 65? And will my Social Security credits earned while I was working be held for me until then?

Answer: Yes, they will.

The answer to your first question depends on the situation. (1) Widows will get fuull benefits based on their husbands' credits at 62, instead of 65. (2) Wives of retired workers can start drawing at 62; but their monthly checks are permanently reduced 25%. For the first 12 years the total you get is more than if you waited. Afterwards the total is less. (3) Women with their own Social Security credits can also start drawing at 62; but their monthly payments are permannently reduced by 20%. For the first 15 years they're ahead; then they fall behind. (But even after you "retire" you can earn $1,200 a year without forfeiting any benefits.) All three kinds of early payments to women start this month.

Question: What does the new law offer to people who are unable to earn a living because of illness or injury?

Answer: The new law begins a national disability insurance plan. If yo uare over 50 and so severely disabled you are unable to engage in any substantial work, you may be eligible for poyments after next July 1, if (1) your disabilty has lasted six montsh and appears unlikely to improve; and (2) you have worked in jobs covered by Social Security for five of the last 10 years, and 18 of the last 36 months before ruled disabled.

Disability payments are based on how long you've worked and your earnings. If disabled now, you can file this month with your local Social Security office.

If you are disabled before 50, you can apply to have your Social Security credits "frozen." Then, when you reach 50, they won't be reduced by averaging i nthe months or years of no or low income.

The new law also covers children. If you die or retire and have a child who became totally and permanently disabled before age 18, he is immediately eligible for a disability benefit, based on your Social Security credits, payable as long as he livse. A mother caring for the child is also entitled to a benefit. These payments start in January, 1957.

Question: Does the new law help farmers who were voted into Social Security two years ago, but because of unsettled times haven't had much net income to pay Social Security tax and get credits?

Answer: It definitely does. If you farm for yourself and have no more than $1,000 gross income, you can arbitrarily report two-thirds of your gross as "net earnings" for Socitl Security purposes, even though your actual net earnings (on which you figure regular income tax) may be lower or nonexistent.

If gross is more than $1,800, you can claim up to $1,200 as your base for figuring Social Security credits. If actual net earning exceed $1,200, you must figure Social Security credits, and taxes, on the actual earnings, up to $4-200 a year. Income above that is

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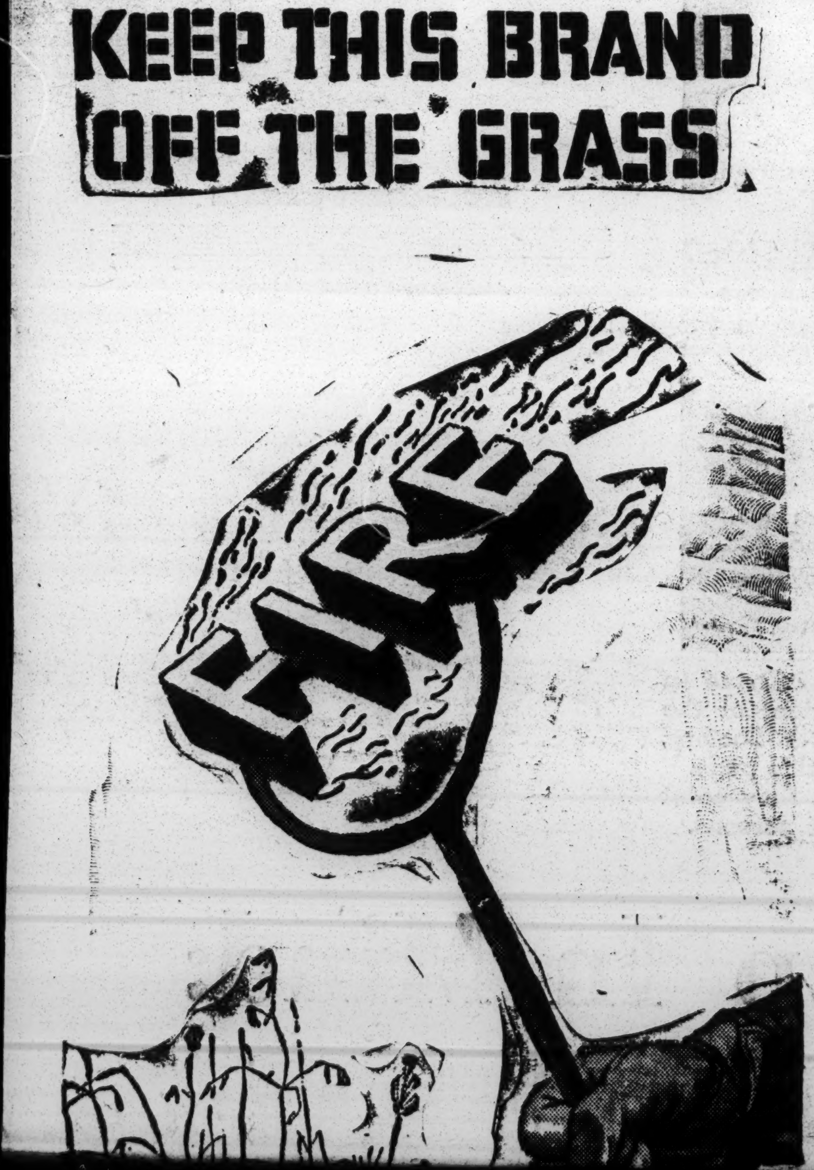

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JUST THE FLICK OF A FINGER from a speeding automobile. A glowing cigarette lands in a clump of sun-dried grass. In minutes, the roaring blaze of another range fire races across the land.

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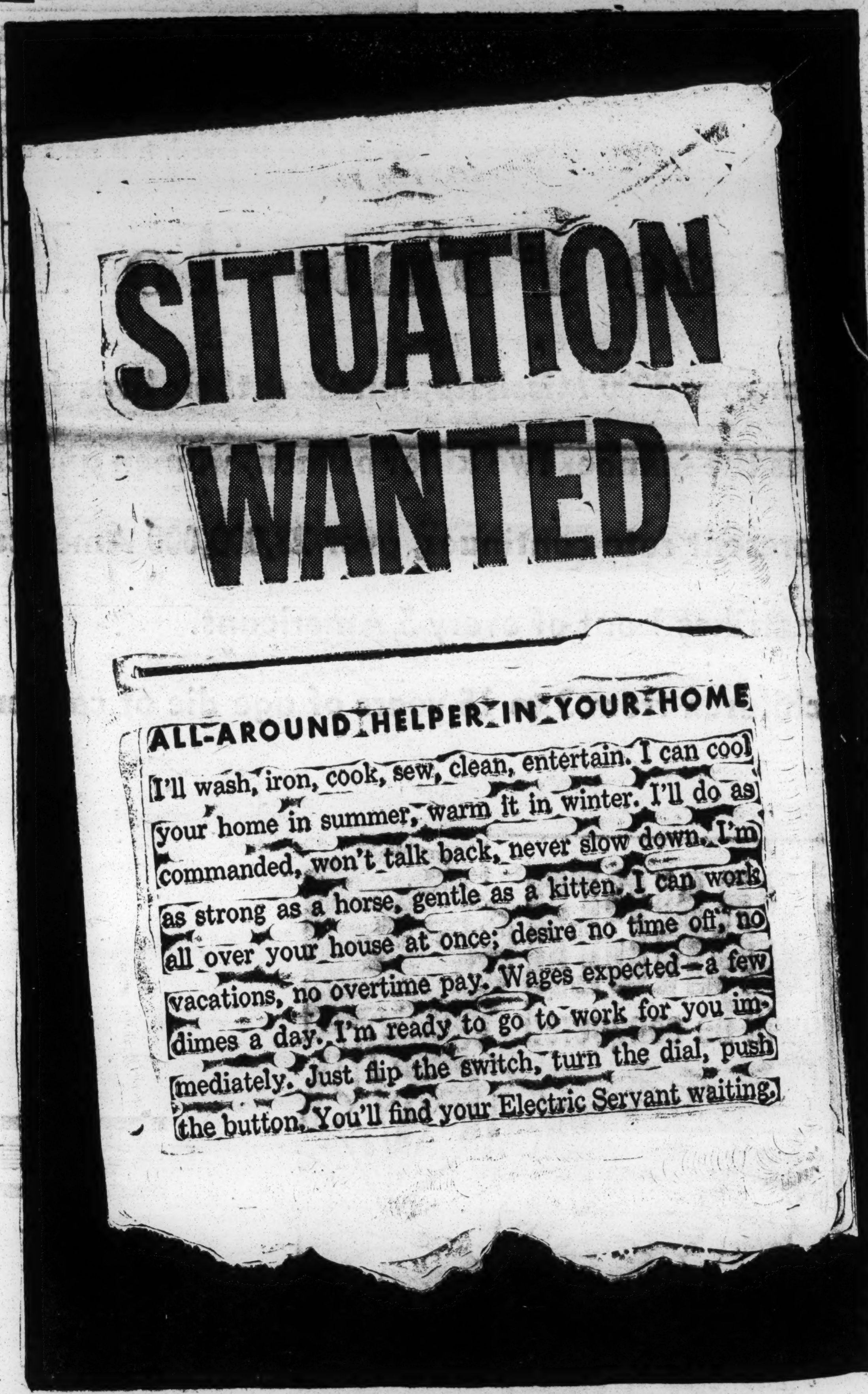

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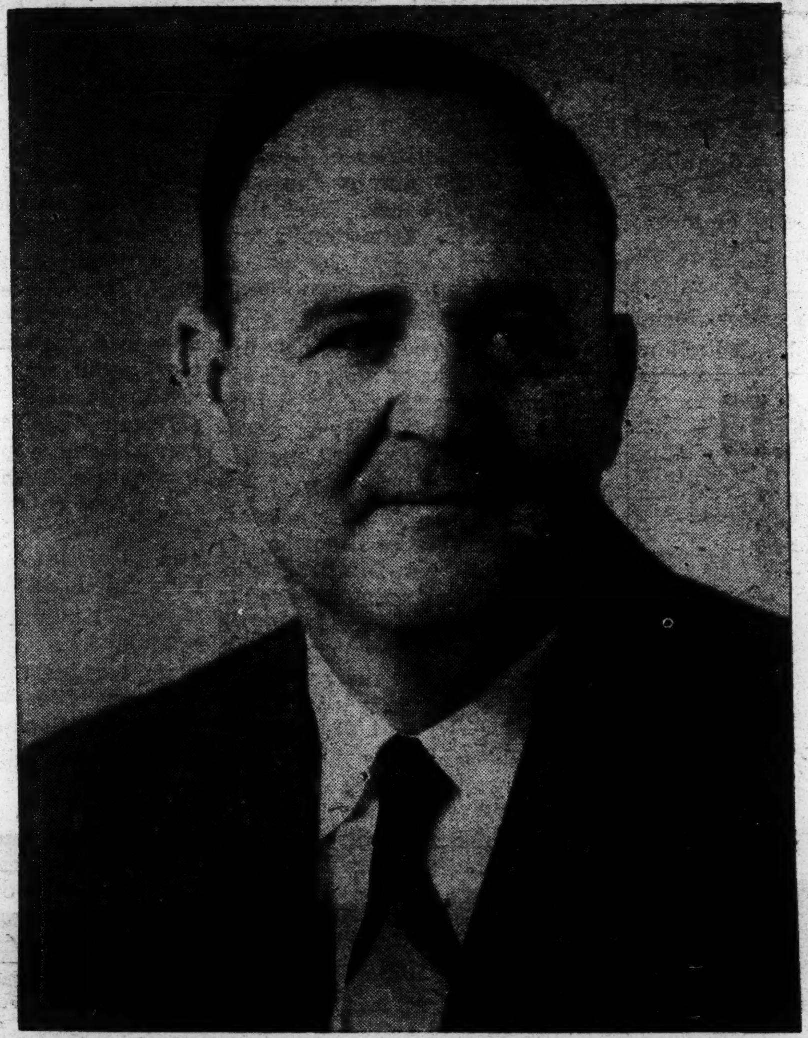

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If the present rate continues, over 23,000,000 Americans now living will die of cancer.

Cancer strikes 1 out of every 5 Americans.

More children from 3 to 15 years of age die of cancer than from any other disease.

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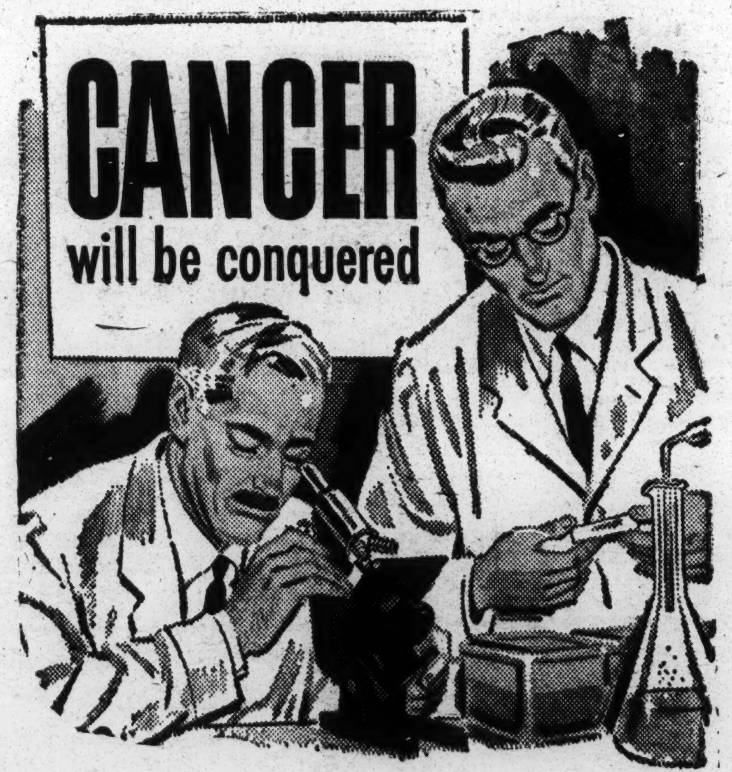

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A Message To The People Of Forrest County:

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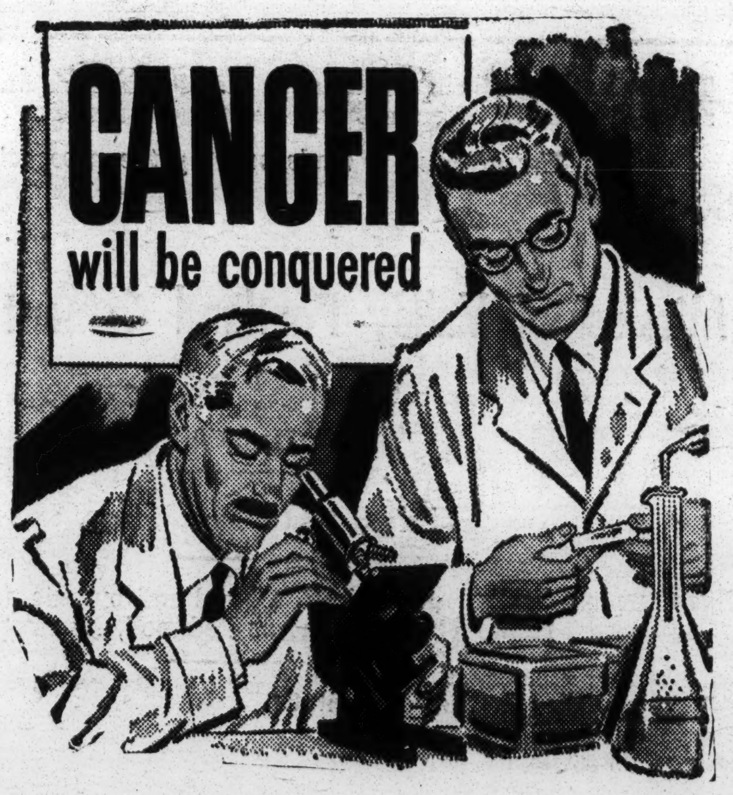

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Old Age Assistance Explained By Dept.

Hard on the heels of the great depression of 1929 there came a general recognition of the fact that local communities and their social and service groups could not cope with the mounting problems of need among its people. Federal action on aid programs started in 1933. Many states rapidly followed suit because of the urgency of existing need.

An extraordinary session of the Mississippi Legislature (October, 1935) enacted laws designed to cooperate with the Federal Emergency Relief Administration. The life of this legislation was limited to March 1, 1936.

With passage of the Mississippi Old Age Security Act in 1936 the Ledislature made $1-million dollars available to assist aged needy people for 27 months—April 1, 1936 to June 30, 1938. The same act established a State Department of Public Welfare. Provisions were made for the Department to be under direction of a three-man board, appointed by the Governor; county organizations were established and the legal outline of work to be done was set forth. Outlined below are major requirements now in effect.

1. Requirement to receive assistance under the program—then as now—was that the applicant must be 65 or over. Certain programs under the Social Security Act permit women to receive benefits at 62. This does not apply to the Mississippi Old Age Security Act.

2. The applicant must have lived in the state for one year immediately preceding the filing of an application, and has not established the residence solely or in part for the purpose of qualifying for old age assistance.

3. The applicant must live in the county in which the application is filed.

4. The applicant must not have sufficient income or resources to provide a reasonable subsistence compatible with decency and health.

A.—

(1) A person shall be considered eligible with respect to need who owns a home provided the converted value of the home is $4,000 or less, and

(2) Applicant or head of family unit has control of the property, and

(3) Applicant or head of family unit is living in the home, or if living away from the property claimed as a home, is receiving homestead exemption on this property.

B. Cash Reserve

(1) An applicant who owns his own home may also have other property—real or personal—not to exceed $400 or $600 for a man and wife.

(2) A non-home owner may own property—real or personal—not to exceed $500 or $800 for a man and wife.

C. Relatives as Resources

(1) The incomes of relatives are checked on and they are asked if they will contribute to applicant's support. If the relatives do not reply to the request or refuse to aid applicant, the applicant will not be disqualified for this reason.

5. The applicant is not an inmate or or is not being maintained by a public institution.

6. The applicant has not made an assignment or transfer of property so as to render himself eligible for assistance at any time within two years immediately prior to the filing of an application for assistance.

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Question: Can servicemen earn Social Security credits while in uniform? And what about veterans?

Answer: Starting Jan. 1 the Army will take 2¼% out of your base pay, add 2¼% and deposit that in the Social Security fund. When you go into civilian employment those credits will follow you and become a part of your protection for your family, or your own retirement.

As for veterans, the new law credits everybody on active duty between Sept. 15, 1940 and next Jan. 1 with Social Security credits for each month of service equal to what he would have earned on $160 a month of civilian wages. If already discharged, you can't claim these credits for any period of service you're drawing military retirement pay on. If discharged after next Jan. 1, time in uniform since 1950 can be counted toward Social Security and military retirement.

Question: When Social Security began, the tax was 3%—between employe and employer. It's now 4%. Will it keep going up?

Answer: Congress has already voted to increase the tax, beginning Jan. 1, to 2½% on each. The increase is to finance disability payments. As the system grows and the number of persons eligible to retire at top benefit levels increases, the tax will rise still further.

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Answer: Social Security is insurance for the living, and offers valuable insurance coverage to young couples just starting out. In cases where young men with large families die, their families stand to collect $30,000 or more over the years.

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If person has sufficient income to meet his needs in keeping with health and decency, such as food, clothing, personal incidentals, shelter and utilities, in general he will not be considered eligible to receive old age assistance.

As interpreted, incomes consist of Social Security Benefits (Old Age and Survivors Insurance), wages, compensation payments, rental of rooms or property and others as may be peculiar to individual cases.

If wife of applicant is not 65 and dependent upon him, her needs and her income will be considered along with his. If the wife is 65 or over she will be considered an applicant in her own right and her need tested also.

Under state law the maximum grant is still $30 per month.

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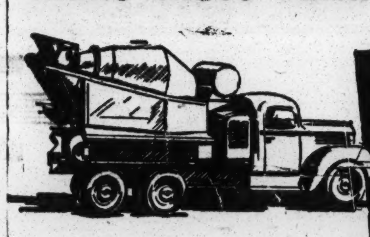

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Claudy's Column

Possum Walk, East Texas
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Deer P. D.:—

I ain't heared whether you was puttin on any hands this year or not, but just in case you air, I'd give a purty to be yore Piney Woods corrispondent. I ain't much of a hand at writin, but I'm shore a good watcher, and I kin report on what I watch happen out here in the Piney Woods, I'd admire to be on a paper like yore Petal Paper. Long as you don't take no stand agin snuff dippin and checker playing, you kin be fer or agin any thing you want to and I'll go along with it.

I know you'll be glad to heer that you ain't goin to be de-ported. I was shore skeered fer a while yestiddy, though, thet you was. Congressman John Guffaw come over to see Pa. He's home from Washington fer Easter and handshaking and fencemending. He always comes over and sets on the porch a while with Pa. Me and Pa was a-sittin there watching Ma churn.

Pa was in a pout because Ma had went and ast him to drag up some brush fer the washpot so she could git to her washing soon as she was done churnin. He sez she ain't got no consideration fer his feelings. She could see that he was busy watchin her churn, and didn't have time to drop thet and run out and git brush fer no washpot.

Then Cong. Guffaw come up. He's been in Congress from this district fer 30 year, and is a noble feller. Bout 5 foot high and durn near thet wide, with jowls on him like a polinchiny shoat, but full of love and sweetness fer people, specially if their white and got their poll tax paid.

First thing he done was light in and start cussin yore paper — and you too. Said PD East and the Supreme Court and the United Nations was working 24 hours a day to tear down America and the Bible and a number of other things. Said he was a fightin like a wild cat up there in Washington to save America and about to git heart failure working so hard and his wife and his doctor had done told him over and over that he loved the good people of the South too much and sacrificed his own health fer them to much, but that as long ever as you and the Supreme Court was a workin hand in glove with furriners and atheists and the Pope and niggers and one other bunch, but I fergit what it is, He's agonna stand up there and fight you, heart failure or no heart failure.

Then he pointed out the United Nations was agin the Bible, and had folks in it thet wasn't even

fer about 30 minutes, and ended up with tears the size of marbles arunnin down his cheeks.

Pa said it was a dirty shame sich folks as you and them Supreme Court fellers was allowed to run loose in this country. And he ast Cong. Guffaw why didn't they de-port everyone of you. Cong. Guffaw said that was jest the hell of it. You fellers pull the same stunt old Roosevelt and all them fellers have pulled. You come here and git yoreself bornt and they can't de-port you.

I was shore relieved to heer thet. I thought you wasagoner fer shore fer a minit there. Cong. Guffaw said he was studying up some way thet Congress could rescind the Law of Gravety, which was passed in America anyway, so thet you fellers would all be up in the air and couldn't git down.

So watch out. Cong. Guffaw said a heap other things, but I'll have to report on them another time. I got to go hold the back door open fer Ma to bring the milk buckets in. She's jest finished gittin the milkin done.

Yore's,
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The Old Firey Cross

In the light of the old fiery cross,
Beneath a hollow oak tree hung with moss,
I saw you for awhile, honey-chile,
While a South wind went whipping through the trees,
And our nightsheets were flapping in the breeze.

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At the foot, at the foot of the old fiery cross,
When we first went together on a real lynching spree,
Oh, we crucified a nigger to a magnolia tree,
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Your blue eyes were bloodshot, and mine were, too,
From swigging too much Old Mountain Dew;
We cursed and we swore, and shouted for more!
At the Baptist revival which followed
When all us rednecks just whooped and hollered!

Your stringy blond hair's a sight to behold;
You look as if you're a hundred years old;
Your teeth stick out, and you drool at the mouth—
To kiss you takes all the courage I can summon,
But damnit, baby, you're a Southern White Woman!

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Men's Club Holds Meet

The men of the Petal Methodist Church met the evening of April 18th. The fellowship was enjoyed by all. After an evening meal served by the ladies of the Lydian Circle the club met in business session.

Much progress has been made in membership drive in that the members have increased almost one hundred per cent since its organization two months ago.

After the business session a most interesting dissertation was given on X-ray and X-ray reading of most all parts of the body by qualified talent within the club.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held at 7:00 p.m., May 16, 1957 at the Petal Methodist Church.

Expert Outlines Aids To Planters

The following pointers to aid Mississippi farmers in growing two bales of cotton on every acre planted this year were suggested by J. D. Howerton, county agent of Lauderdale County:

"Select good deep soil and subsoil where needed," he advises. "Place fertilizer four to six inches below the seed drill. Place all mixed fertilizer during seedbed preparation and let the seedbed settle before planting. Side dress with sufficient nitrogen to make the desired two bales.

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Scout Conference Set For June 6-8

The Pine Burr Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, will hold its first "Citizens Now" Conference at Mississippi Southern College on June 6, 7, and 8th. Plans are to have more than 200 explorers taking part so that they may get a better understanding of their privileges and responsibilities as a citizen now in the home and in the community, according to H. W. Watson, co-chairman of the conference steering committee.

The purpose of the "Citizen Now" Conference is to focus attention of those participating on the fact that there is no miracle age at which they suddenly leave the stage of preparation aand become active citizens. "It will be a great help to the young men paraticipating in obtaining status in the eyes of their parents, leaders, and the general public", states Mr. Watson.

The mission is accomplished mainly through small, well organized, Explorer-led discussion groups. hese groups will be under the direction of Billy L. Spruell prnicipal of Moss Point School and Tony Davis, Explorer from Post 28 of Poplarville, who attended a like conference at the University of Mississippi last June.

The group discussions ill be preceded by outstanding speakers with particuar appeal to youht. The securing of the speakers and promotonail activities are under direction of Robert (Ace) Cleveland, public relations director of Mississippi Southern College, and Bob Bowling, Explorer from Troop 13 of Hattiesburg.

Other highlights of th conference will be a co-ed social evening, tour of Mississippi Southren College, and a field sports session. These activities will be under the direction of Raymond

committee at the present are Robert Cochran, Explorer Post 28, Poplarville; Lee Foster, Explorer Troop 231, Kreole, Miss.; Tim Fowlkes, Explorer Post 18, Wiggins; Selby Bowling, Council Camping and Activities Chairman, Hattiesburg; Jimmy Thomas, Explorer Post 95, Hattiesburg; and J. Lavon Smith, Executive Advisor to the Committee attiesburg.

Speech Clinic Set At MSC

Children with speech problems will have an opportunity to receive therapy during the annual Summer Speech Clinic, planned June 17-28, on the Mississippi Southern College campus.

The program is jointly sponsored by the Speech and Hearing Clinic of Mississippi Southern and the Mississippi Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

Dr. Robert W. Peters, clinic director, and Dr. Robert L. McCroskey will supervise the work, assisted by senior and graduate clincians. An intensive program of therapy, to include six hours per day, is planned.

Dr. Peters said that children between the ages of eight and 18 will be accepted. Among those who will receive attention will be children suffering from stuttering, cleft palates, articulation disorders and retarded speech, Peters said.

Cost of the program will be $22 for therapy. An additional room and board fee of $23 for the two-week period will be charged for those living on campus. Dormitory accommodations will be available with supervisors in charge of students in dormitories. The college cafeteria will furnish meals, except on Sunday nights.

Dr. Peters also pointed out that a well planned program of recreation, to include swimming, sports, picnics and other events will be available.

For information on the clinic, interested parties should write to Dr. Robert W. Peters, Box 52, Station A, Mississippi Southern College, or to Jerry Bagley, executive secretary of the Mississippi Society for Crippled Children and Adults, 754 North State Street, Jackson, Miss.

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TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH, JACKSON STREET, PETAL

Services begin with Sunday School at 9:45 a.m., Bill Barlow, Supt. Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:15 p.m. by Rev. Justin Garrett, pastor. Baptist Training Union meets at 6:15 p.m. Mid-week Prayer meeting is held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday. GA's meet after school on Mondays, and RA's meet before prayer meeting on Wednesdays. Song services are under the direction of O. U. Barlow, Mrs. Jack Fikes, pianist.

Church nursery open at all services.

PETAL METHODIST CHURCH, MAIN STREET, PETAL

Services begin with Sunday School at 9:45 a.m., W. C. Mathis, Superintendent.

Rev. J. P. Payne, Pastor, preaches at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

WSCS meets at 2:00 p.m. on Mondays.

Mid-Week Prayer Meeting is held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. Choir practice follows prayer meeting.

Song services are under the direction of Mrs. B. L. Coulter; Mrs. D. H. Halliwell, Sr., Organist.

The public is cordially invited to attend. The nursery is open at all services.

GREEN'S CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH, OLD RICHTON ROAD, PETAL

Services begin at 9:45 a.m. with Sunday School, Robert Powell, Supt.

Q. C. Barrett, Pastor, preaches at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Prayer Meeting is 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays . . . following prayer meeting all organizations meet . . . YWA's, GA's, RA's, WMU, Brotherhood, and Sunbeams.

Song services are under the direction of W. C. Rainey, Jr.; pianist is Miss Polly Morgan.

The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend services. Nursery is open at all services.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CENTRAL AVENUE, PETAL

Services begin with Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Henry Hardy, Supt.

Rev. W. A. Richardson, Pastor, preaches at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Baptist Training Union meets at 6:30 p.m. Sundays.

Mid-Week Prayer meeting is held at 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays.

Song services are under the direction of Mr. Ford Parker; Mrs. J. M. Van Devender, pianist.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Nursery is open at all services.

PETAL-HARVEY BAPTIST CHURCH,

Services will begin with Sunday School at 9.45 a.m., Pat Rogers, Supt.

Rev. Sam W. Waggener, Pastor, preaches at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Training Union meets at 6:45 p.m., C. E. Richardson, Director.

Mid-Week Prayer meeting is held at 7:30 pm. Wednesdays at Richton Road and Harvey Mission prayer meeting is held 7:30 p.m. Thursdays.

Song services are under the direction of Mr. Charles Caulkin; Mrs. W. H. Clearman, Organist, and Mrs. Mazie Nell Smith, pianist.

The public is cordially invited to attend; the nursery is open at all services.

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Evangelist Howard S. Williams preaches at 11.00 a.m.

Bible Class meets Sunday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Choir practice is held Wednesday nights at 7:30.

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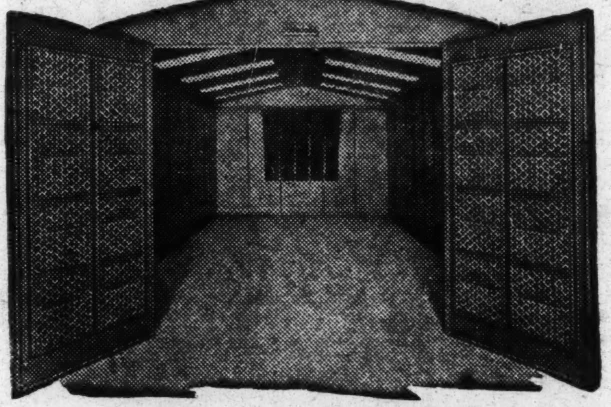

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